

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

March 17, 2003 Hearing Room 357
8:30 AM Tapes 51 - 52

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Alan Brown, Chair
Rep. Elizabeth Beyer, Vice-Chair
Rep. John Mabrey Vice-Chair
Rep. Jackie Dingfelder
Rep. George Gilman
Rep. Mitch Greenlick
Rep. Cliff Zauner

STAFF PRESENT: Janet Adkins, Administrator
Ryan Sherlock, Assistant

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: HB 2393 – Work Session
HB 2338 – Work Session
HB 2801 – Public Hearing

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<u>TAPE/#</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Tape 51, A		
003	Chair Brown	Calls the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m., and opens a public hearing on HB 2393.
<u>HB 2393 – WORK SESSION</u>		
005	Janet Adkins	Committee Administrator. Offers a description of HB 2393, and the proposed -1 amendment (EXHIBIT A).
040	Chair Brown	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 2393-1 amendments dated 03/13/03.
		VOTE: 7-0
	Chair Brown	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
045	Rep. Mabrey	MOTION: Moves HB 2393 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
050	Rep. Beyer	Explains her intention to vote NO on HB 2393, because she does not think extra driving time is bad for young drivers, and she is uncomfortable with the possible fiscal impact.
055	Adkins	Clarifies the committee's intent regarding the "partial month" clause.
060	Committee	Discusses their legislative intent.
070		VOTE: 6-1
		AYE: 6 - Dingfelder, Gilman, Greenlick, Mabrey, Zauner, Brown
		NAY: 1 - Beyer
	Chair Brown	The motion CARRIES.
		REP. BACKLUND will lead discussion on the floor.
080	Rep. Mabrey	Congratulates Matt Hobson for his work on the bill.
085	Rep. Backlund	Thanks the committee for hearing and passing the bill.

100 Chair Brown Closes the work session on HB 2393, and opens a public hearing on HB 2801.

HB 2801 – PUBLIC HEARING

105 Janet Adkins Committee Administrator. Offers a description of HB 2801.
145 Deb Elkins Northwest Automotive Trades Association. Offers testimony in support of HB 2801.
165 Mark Forcum Forster Auto Parts. Offers testimony in support of HB 2801.
270 Rep. Beyer Clarifies that the industry is not currently doing the inspections outlined in the bill.
275 Forcum Explains that they are not currently doing the proposed inspections and discusses those inspections.
295 Rep. Beyer Asks about the regulation proposed in the bill dealing with storage.
300 Forcum Explains that those regulations are proposed to help alleviate uncertainty.
310 Chair Brown Asks whether there are federal laws restricting storage.
315 Forcum Explains that he is unsure whether there are any federal regulations.
320 D. Elkins Explains that in Oregon there is inconsistency regarding regulations.
330 Chair Brown Asks if the wrecking industry has any regulations under the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).
335 Forcum Discusses the lack of those regulations.
350 Rep. Mabrey Asks what Mr. Forcum proposes for the fee.
355 Forcum Explains that currently the fee is \$150, and his group expects it would need to increase to \$400 or \$500.
360 D. Elkins Explains that the \$400 to \$500 figure comes from preliminary talks with DMV.
370 Forcum Discusses what he hopes to get from paying this fee.
390 Rep. Dingfelder Clarifies that the wreckers currently pay fees to both the DMV and another fee to the City or County.
400 Forcum Acknowledges.
405 Rep. Dingfelder Clarifies where the fees go.
410 Forcum Explains how the fees are used.

TAPE 52, A

015 Rep. Zauner Asks if this bill would make it tougher for car thieves to sell cars.
020 Forcum Acknowledges, and discusses how the bill would make dismantling cars illegally, more difficult.
025 Rep. Greenlick Asks what the magnitude of the problem is.
030 Forcum Discusses the size of the problem and the reason for the legislation.
045 Rep. Greenlick Clarifies that the expectation is that those unlicensed wreckers will either become licensed or go out of business.
050 Forcum Acknowledges, and discusses the possible outcome of the measure.
060 Chair Brown Recesses the public hearing on HB 2801, and opens a work session on HB 2338.

HB 2338 – WORK SESSION

065 Janet Adkins Committee Administrator. Offers a description of HB 2338, the proposed -1 amendment (**EXHIBIT B**), and the proposed -2 amendment (**EXHIBIT C**).
085 Rep. Greenlick Asks if the committee is only considering the -2 amendment or should also consider the -1 amendment.
087 Adkins Defers to Rep. Shetterly.

090	Rep. Lane Shetterly	House District 23. Offers testimony in support of the bill, and addresses the proposed amendments, indicating his support for the -2 amendment, and his lack of support for the -1 amendment.
140	Al Elkins	Oregon Hunters Association. Explains his group's concern with the bill.
160	Rep. Shetterly	Explains that those concerns were just recently brought to his attention, and could be addressed on the Senate side if necessary.
170	Rep. Dingfelder	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 2338-2 amendments dated 02/12/03.
		VOTE: 7-0
	Chair Brown	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
175	Rep. Dingfelder	MOTION: Moves HB 2338 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
180		VOTE: 7-0
	Chair Brown	AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye. The motion CARRIES.
		SHETTERLY will lead discussion on the floor.
185	Chair Brown	Closes the work session on HB 2338, and opens a public hearing on HB 2801.

HB 2801 – PUBLIC HEARING

190	Jim Tercek	John's Auto Parts. Offers testimony in support of HB 2801.
200	Chair Brown	Clarifies that currently the wrecking industry is not regulated by the state.
205	D. Elkins	Explains that there is little regulation and illustrates that lack of regulation.
220	Chair Brown	Clarifies that the auto recycling industry does not get many visits from the DEQ.
225	Forcum	Explains that they do not get much intervention from the DEQ.
260	Rep. Dingfelder	Points out that there are currently regulations with DEQ, but due to lack of funding there is little enforcement and the enforcement that does take place is largely complaint driven. Comments on her hope that the DMV and the DEQ could work together to support enforcement.
270	Forcum	Comments on state enforcement.
300	Rep. Greenlick	Comments on his belief that more regulations would not necessarily mean more enforcement.
320	Forcum	Explains his goal to bring more unlicensed auto wreckers into legality.
335	D. Elkins	Comments on the work they have so far done with the DMV.
350	Rep. Mabrey	Asks whether the auto recycling industry ever repairs and resells vehicles.
355	Forcum	Explains that most auto recyclers are also used auto dealers, and comments on that aspect of the industry.
390	Chair Brown	Clarifies that wreckers pay \$4000 for a wrecked car.
392	Forcum	Explains that this would be for 2000 and later cars.
395	Rep. Zauner	Refers to a case in Woodburn of an auto theft ring.
405	Forcum	Explains that by licensing, it would be more difficult to move these stolen cars.
415	Rep. Beyer	Asks how many licensed auto recyclers are currently operating in the state.
420	D. Elkins	Indicates there are around 375.
425	Rep. Beyer	Asks if Ms. Elkins knows how many unlicensed auto recyclers are operating in the state.

430	D. Elkins	Offers an estimate that there are around thirty percent unlicensed.
TAPE 51, B		
015	Adkins	Asks about the training course.
020	D. Elkins	Explains that they would hope that service would be provided by the DMV.
025	Forcum	Compares the mentioned training course to that held for auto dealers.
030	Chair Brown	Asks whether there are any amendments which are being proposed.
035	D. Elkins	Discusses the amendments.
040	Chair Brown	Closes the public hearing on HB 2801 and adjourns the meeting at 9:29 a.m.

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- A – HB 2393, -1 amendment, Staff, 1 p.**
- B – HB 2338, -1 amendment, Staff, 1 p.**
- C – HB 2338, -2 amendment, Staff, 1 p.**